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1. Up to August 1951, there were about 25,000 prisoners in the forced labor camp near Pechora [REDACTED] Most of the prisoners were Balts. There were three similar camps in the same region, one of which was for women.
2. In August 1951, 2,500 men were taken from the Pechora camp to a new camp in the Lurmansk region. Source estimates that by mid-September this camp held 25,000 prisoners, who were used mostly for work on the Petsamo-Lurmansk railroad, for forest work, or for the construction of barracks.
3. Source knows little about military developments in the Lurmansk region but states that a large troop concentration and an airfield are located near the Lurmansk camp. He also reports that German POWs are working in Lurmansk (sic; in the Lurmansk area?).

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